

May 11, 2022

The Waterfront Commission held a meeting on this date at 6:30 p.m. Members in attendance were Sandy Grimes, Chairman; Michael Grimshaw, Stephanie Hayes-Houlihan, Ethan Grimes and Gene Pfeifer.

Ms. Dinwoodie and Bob Guzzo were absent.

Chairman Grimes called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

**Comments from the Public – None**

**Treasurer's Report** – As of this date, the balance in the Waterfront Commission account is \$1425.00. Report submitted to Treasurer and approved at May meeting had not been updated.

**Previous Minutes** – Mr. E. Grimes made a motion to approve the minutes of the March meeting. Mr. Grimshaw seconded the motion and voting was unanimous.

**Old Business**

- Dock Area Housekeeping/ Maintenance & repairs – Mr. Grimshaw reported that the Town Public Works department is currently working on paving of main entrance road and Parking lot of Town dock. He added that he has spoken with Public Works about getting Dog waste bags for the dock area and would like to discuss further additional safety measures heading into summer season.
- Donahue Park - Mr. Pfeifer mentioned the article in the Community forum regarding drug paraphernalia at the park, lack of police presence and the unsavory characters at times. Other members were unaware of the article and agreed to visit more regularly. Members unanimously agreed to submit a letter to the Police Commission to get on a meeting agenda to discuss how best to move forward for a safe community park
- Dock Signage – Members discussed their disappointment that nothing is happening with this request. Ms. Hayes-Houlihan mentioned she would contact Liz Wood of the Historical Society for assistance. Mr. S. Grimes stated he would contact Rep. Joe Courtney and Greg Howard again.

**New Business**

- Town dock North Pier Funding - Mrs. Packer informed the members that letters of support were sent in April to Representative Joe Courtney and Senator Christopher Murphy regarding the application for funding to repair the North Pier of the Town Dock. Mr. Grimshaw mentioned that funding received for the electricity and how the Association wasn't included and his hope that if the grant is awarded, there will be better communication. Mr. Pfeifer mentioned that a fundraiser for Joe Courtney is planned for June 3, 2022.

Mr. S. Grimes reported that he met with the Stonington Small Boat Association and has obtained all Statements, rules & regulation, proof of insurance and membership lists for current year.

Members discussed request to name SSBA launch **Bragdons Landing** after long term SSBA President Tucker Bragdon. Ms. Hayes- Houlihan made a motion to approve the installation of this signage after approval from the Town. Mr. Pfeifer seconded and voting was unanimous.

Members discussed and unanimously agreed to a donation from the Miscellaneous account to the Blessing of the Fleet.

There being no further business to become before the Commission, Ms. Hayes-Houlihan made a motion to adjourn. Mr. E. Grimes seconded the motion, and the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Ethan Grimes

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